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The hybrid unit has a first surface acoustic wave device with an input to receive a binary coded electromagnetic radiation waveform from the base unit and cause a corresponding binary coded surface acoustic wave to travel from the input to an output thereof and be reflected back to the input.

A first transducer is connected to the output to receive further information from a source thereof and modify the reflected surface acoustic waveform, whereby the reflected surface acoustic waveform incorporates such further information and becomes a modified reflected surface acoustic waveform which travels to the input and then travels as a modified binary coded electromagnetic waveform to the base unit.